

**MEETING INSTRUCTIONS FOR
THE GREELEY ART COMMISSION MEETING ON
November 21, 2023**

Regular Art Commission meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

This meeting will be held in person in room 201 in the Downtown Recreation Center located at 651 10th Avenue, Greeley CO, 80631. No remote viewing option will be available. Members of the public are invited to attend.

To provide input/public comment for this meeting please email Kim Snyder (kim.snyder@greeleygov.com) or call Kim Snyder at (970) 350-9450. Comments received before and throughout the meeting will be read into the record at the appropriate time.

Agenda
Greeley Art Commission
November 21, 2023 4:00pm Meeting

Members: Louisa Andersen, Eddie Mirick, Michelle Lieser-Booren, Tony Miller, Sharon Wright, Heather Utrada, Debbie Pilch, Molly McIntosh, Kathy Sage, Benson Verbel

1. **Call to Order**
2. **October Minutes for approval-** see page 4 of this Agenda.
3. **Introductions – New Member Benson Verbel**
4. **Public Comment – N/A**
5. **New Business and Action Items:**
 - a. **Paint the Town Traffic Cabs**
 - i. The RAMP committee and staff are recommending 5 new traffic cab wraps. Kim has drawn up a timeline to move forward with 2024 Traffic cabs along 10th Ave if granted CDOT permission. The call would be posted on Café the end of November, jury in early January and GAC approval January 16. Installations would be in May/June of 2024 weather dependent. Artists will be paid \$550 for each design approved by GAC. The Average cost to print and install each wrap is appr. \$1000. Funding will be available in the Paint the Town Fund in 2024.
[ACTION: VOTE to approve moving forward with 5 new traffic cab wraps to be installed in Spring 2024.](#)
 - ii. In addition to the call on Café, the design submitted by local artist Alonzo Harrison could be accepted by GAC as recommended by the RAMP committee. We have been searching for an artist with ties to the East Greeley area to create artwork for the traffic cab at 18th St and 1st Ave. We know the importance of installing artwork that connects well with each community. The artist will be paid \$550 for each design approved by GAC. The Average cost to print and install each wrap is appr. \$1000. Funding is available in the Paint the Town Fund. Alonzo submitted his designs for the East Greeley traffic cab at staffs' request. See pg. 3
[ACTION: VOTE to approve the designs submitted by Alonzo Harrison for a spring 2024 traffic cab installation.](#)

Attached are two designs that I put together for the traffic cabinet at East memorial area. I tried to keep both designs on the busy side and to make them fun for humans of all ages. Both designs are an homage to my Mexican American roots which so many folks out on the east side share. As I drove around east Greeley with a friend of mine who grew up right next to Balsam & East Memorial, we discussed how much of a Mexican American family & community neighborhood it is and how much safer it's gotten since we were boys. Seeing some of the current public art already out there, like the mural at Solida Del Sol Academy, or the Aztec influenced traffic cabinet wrap, made me want to maintain that continuity and spirit with my own flavor.

In Mexican culture Eagles and horses are very important. My dad was raised in a farm in Mexico, alongside most of his family. At the time horses were still very important to daily life and transportation. To this day, my grandpa and his brothers are still farming. This isn't particular to just my family and I wanted to celebrate that. Not to mention, caballeros (Mexican cowboys) are a huge point of cultural and historical pride for Mexicans. Eagles are even more important symbolically, representing the sun. It is said that when the Aztecs were looking for a place to build home, they saw an eagle eating a snake on a nopale (cactus). To them that was a sign from the gods that that was where they were supposed to settle and that is now Mexico City. Both of these animals are hugely celebrated and respected by American and Mexican cultures. To me that is beautiful and bridges the gap between the two cultures. Growing up in Greeley, it's not uncommon to see either of these majestic animals in East Greeley. As far as the mask. I've been doing a series of 'luchador' illustrations inspired by my childhood and my family's love for wrestling. I thought it'd be fun to keep it going. Wrestling is universal. Not only that, but wrestling is big for Mexican Americans here in northern Colorado. Cheers,
Alonzo



**Non-Action items below: Please read before the meeting.
These items will only be addressed if you have questions, to request more
information or if the committee chair would like to share updates:**

6. Project Reports:

- a. New Donation titled 'Committed' – the foundation has been poured as engineered by the donor. We were not able to do the work in house; a local contractor was hired for \$4,500 and will be paid from the Public Art Installation and Maintenance fund. The donor is purchasing a stone and having it engraved; this will determine our installation date.
- b. Longview Park – Our bronze sculpture titled 'She dances with the Stars' has been delivered in a crate and is being stored at the Parks Dept. Jo DeDecker has ordered a large sandstone slab for the installation and will schedule with us to do the install after the stone arrives.
- c. Discovery Bay vinyl wrap – We have received a higher resolution file from the artist.\ and Raven signs has it laid out. Unfortunately, the install of Mitchel Egly's design for the vinyl wrap at Discovery Bay will have to wait for warmer weather in the Spring of 2024.
- d. 2023 Uptown Trees – the final Uptown Tree was installed on Monday 11/20/2023.
- e. 12th ST Outfall moves forward with Adam Kuby having blue glass shipped from overseas and delivered to the construction site. Foundations should be poured before spring and art installed in April/March at the soonest – we are at the discretion of the overall project timeline.
- f. Delta Park -

7. Maintenance & Repair

- a. Vandalism clean-ups – Will Dillon was able to remove graffiti from the Ella Yate cabinet wrap in the 20th St median near Sanborn Park, the Uptown Tree titled 'Totem (The bunnies) and one planter.

8. Other

- a. **Tointon Gallery Current Exhibit:**

Adjournment

Next meeting scheduled for December 19, 2023

Greeley Art Commission Minutes

October 17, 2023

Art Commissioners Present: Louisa Andersen, Michelle Lieser-Booren, Sharon Wright, Molly McIntosh, Tony Miller, Heather Utrada, Kathy Sage, Eddie Mirick, Debbie Pilch, Sandy Magnuson, Tom Devore

Art Commissioners Absent:

Staff Present – Kim Snyder

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

A motion to approve the September 2023 Minutes was made. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business and Action Items:

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- a. Delta Park Art – the overall committee is recommending that we contract Armando Silva for Delta Park Art in the amount of 50K. We should have two Commissioners on this committee to report back to the GAC. **ACTION: Vote to approve moving forward on the Delta Park project with \$50,000.**

- b. New Donation offered – A sizable donation of Denny Haskew bronze sculpture valued at \$104,000 is being offered by a reputable anonymous doner. Donor suggested and staff has agreed that installation in Josephine Jones Park would be most appropriate. The Park has not had new art in many years, the area is fitting to the theme of the artwork and the park is sentimental to the donor’s family. **ACTION: Vote to approve accepting the Denny Haskew sculpture to be donated to the City of Greeley with installation at Jjones Park.**